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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is supplemental to the Amendment of
December 27, 1995.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 199-222 as follows:

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199. A system for transmitting originated information from one of a plurality of originating processors contained in an electronic mail system to at least one RF receiver with the originated information originating from one of the plurality of originating processors and being transmitted by an RF information transmission network to the at least one RF receiver and for transmitting other originated information originating from one of the originating processors and being transmitted through a wireline without using the RF

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information transmission network to at least one of the destination processors comprising:

at least one interface switch, one of the at least one interface switch connecting the electronic mail system containing the plurality of originating processors to the RF information transmission network; and wherein

the originated information is transmitted from the one of the at least one interface switch to the RF information transmission network with an address of the at least one RF receiver to receive the originated information being added at the originating processor originating the originated information, or by either the electronic mail system that contains the plurality of originating processors or the one interface switch.

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200. A system in accordance with claim ¹¹³ ~~199~~ wherein:

one of the plurality of destination processors is coupled to one of the at least one RF receiver and receives the originated information.

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201. A system in accordance with claim ¹¹³ ~~199~~ wherein:

the electronic mail system containing the plurality of destination processors is the same electronic mail system containing the plurality of originating processors.

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202. A system in accordance with claim 199 wherein:
the electronic mail system containing the plurality
of destination processors is a different electronic mail
system than the electronic mail system containing the
plurality of originating processors.

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203. A system in accordance with claim 199 wherein:
the one interface switch stores the originated
information, assembles the originated information with
originated information received from a plurality of the
originating processors into a packet and transmits the packet
to the RF transmission network.

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204. A system in accordance with claim 199 wherein:
the wireline transmitting the other originated
information between the one of the plurality of originating
processors and the at least one of the plurality of
destination processors uses one of either a public or private
switch telephone network with the at least one of the
plurality of destination processors being addressed during
transmission of the other originated information to the at
least one of the plurality of destination processors when
using the public or private switch telephone network with a
different address than the address used during transmission of
the originated information to the at least one RF receiver by
the RF information transmission network.

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205. A method for transmitting originated information from one of a plurality of originating processors contained in an electronic mail system to at least one RF receiver with the originated information originating from one of the plurality of originating processors and being transmitted by an RF information transmission network to the at least one RF receiver and for transmitting other originated information originating from one of the originating processors and being transmitted through a wireline without using the RF information transmission network to at least one of the destination processors comprising:

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connecting the electronic mail system containing the plurality of originating processors to the RF information transmission network with one of at least one interface switch; and

transmitting the originated information from the one of the at least one interface switch to the RF information transmission network with an address of the at least one RF receiver to receive the originated information being added at the originating processor originating the originated information, or by either the electronic mail system that contains the plurality of originating processors or the one interface switch.

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206. A method in accordance with claim 205 further comprising:

one of the at least one RF receiver transmits the originated information to one of the plurality of destination processors.

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207. A method in accordance with claim 205 wherein:

the electronic mail system containing the plurality of destination processors is the same electronic mail system containing the plurality of originating processors.

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208. A method in accordance with claim 205 wherein:

the electronic mail system containing the plurality of destination processors is a different electronic mail system than the electronic mail system containing the plurality of originating processors.

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209. A method in accordance with claim 205 wherein:

the one interface switch stores the originated information, assembles the originated information with originated information received from a plurality of the originating processors into a packet and transmits the packet to the RF transmission network.

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210. A method in accordance with claim 205 wherein:

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the wireline transmitting the other originated information between the one of the plurality of originating processors and the at least one of the plurality of destination processors uses one of either a public or private switch telephone network with the at least one of the plurality of destination processors being addressed during transmission of the other originated information to the at least one of the plurality of destination processors when using the public or private switch telephone network with a different address than the address used during transmission of the originated information to the at least one RF receiver by the RF information transmission network.

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211. A system for transmitting originated information from one of a plurality of originating processors contained in an electronic mail system to at least one RF receiver with the originated information originating from one of the plurality of originating processors and being transmitted by an RF information transmission network to the at least one RF receiver and for transmitting other originated information originating from one of the originating processors and being transmitted through a wireline without using the RF information transmission network to at least one of the destination processors comprising:

at least one interface switch, one of the at least one interface switch connecting the electronic mail system

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containing the plurality of originating processors to the RF information transmission network; and wherein

the originated information is transmitted from the one of the at least one interface switch to the RF information transmission network with an address of the at least one of RF receiver to receive the originated information being added to the originated information before transmission of the originated information by the RF information transmission network to the at least one RF receiver.

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212. A system in accordance with claim ¹²⁵ ~~211~~ wherein:

one of the plurality of destination processors is coupled to one of the at least one RF receiver and receives the originated information.

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213. A system in accordance with claim ¹²⁵ ~~211~~ wherein:

the electronic mail system containing the plurality of destination processors is the same electronic mail system containing the plurality of originating processors.

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214. A system in accordance with claim ¹²⁵ ~~211~~ wherein:

the electronic mail system containing the plurality of destination processors is a different electronic mail system than the electronic mail system containing the plurality of originating processors.

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215. A system in accordance with claim 211 wherein:
the one interface switch stores the originated
information, assembles the originated information with
originated information received from a plurality of the
originating processors into a packet and transmits the packet
to the RF transmission network.

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216. A system in accordance with claim 211 wherein:
the wireline transmitting the other originated
information between the one of the plurality of originating
processors and the at least one of the plurality of
destination processors uses one of either a public or private
switch telephone network with the at least one of the
plurality of destination processors being addressed during
transmission of the other originated information to the at
least one of the plurality of destination processors when
using the public or private switch telephone network with a
different address than the address used during transmission of
the originated information to the at least one RF receiver by
the RF information transmission network.

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217. A method for transmitting originated information
from one of a plurality of originating processors contained in
an electronic mail system to at least one RF receiver with the
originated information originating from one of the plurality
of originating processors and being transmitted by an RF
information transmission network to the at least one

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G4 > RF receiver and for transmitting other originated information originating from one of the originating processors and being transmitted through a wireline without using the RF information transmission network to at least one of the destination processors comprising:

connecting the electronic mail system containing the plurality of originating processors to the RF information transmission network with one of at least one interface switch; and

transmitting the originated information from the one of the at least one interface switch to the RF information transmission network with an address of the at least one RF receiver to receive the originated information being added to the originated information before transmission of the originated information by the RF transmission network to the at least one RF receiver.

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218. A method in accordance with claim 217 further comprising:

one of the at least one RF receiver transmits the originated information to one of the plurality of destination processors.

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219. A method in accordance with claim 217 wherein:

the electronic mail system containing the plurality of destination processors is the same electronic mail system containing the plurality of originating processors.

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~~220.~~ A method in accordance with claim ~~217~~ wherein:

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the electronic mail system containing the plurality of destination processors is a different electronic mail system than the electronic mail system containing the plurality of originating processors.

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~~221.~~ A method in accordance with claim ~~217~~ wherein:

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the one interface switch stores the originated information, assembles the originated information with originated information received from a plurality of the originating processors into a packet and transmits the packet to the RF transmission network.

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~~222.~~ A method in accordance with claim ~~217~~ wherein:

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the wireline transmitting the other originated information between the one of the plurality of originating processors and the at least one of the plurality of destination processors uses one of either a public or private switch telephone network with the at least one of the plurality of destination processors being addressed during transmission of the other originated information to the at least one of the plurality of destination processors when using the public or private switch telephone network with a different address than the address used during transmission of the originated information to the at least one RF receiver by the RF information transmission network.--

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REMARKS

Newly submitted claims 199-222 have been added to cover the invention in a different degree of scope than the claims as amended on December 27, 1995.

Specifically, independent claims 199 and 205 cover a system and method of scope similar to independent claims 86 and 143 except that the destination of the originated information is to at least one RF receiver which, as disclosed, transmits the originated information to the destination processor. Dependent claims 200-204 and 206-210 cover more specific aspects of the disclosed subject matter than that covered by newly submitted independent claims 199 and 205.

Newly submitted independent claims 211 and 217 respectively cover a system and method of similar scope to independent claims 86 and 143 except that the adding of the address to the originated information is recited as being before transmission of the originated information by the RF information transmission network to the at least one RF receiver. Dependent claims 212-216 and 218-222 cover more specific aspects of the disclosed subject matter than that covered by newly submitted independent claims 211 and 217.

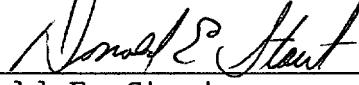
Newly submitted claims 199-222 are patentable for the same reasons that the Examiner found claims 86-141 to be patentable over the prior art in the first Office Action of November 2, 1995.

Early allowance of each of the pending claims in the above-referenced application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and remarks and the amendments and remarks set forth in the December 27, 1995 Amendment.

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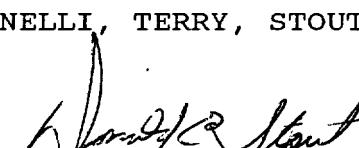
Sir:

Submitted herewith is a substitute Appendix as required
by the Examiner containing pages 1-12. This Appendix is
identical to the Substitute Appendix submitted in the
Assignee's United States Patents 5,436,960, 5,438,611 and
5,479,472 which was approved by the Examiner.

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Define ATT_BMAILFILE
Define BELLINITER

"TPICHECK.THP"
"End of Telefind Network Message"\n

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#include <iostream.h>
#include <time.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys.h>
#include "perf.h"

void main(void)
{
    FILE *infile,*outfile;
    char buffer[81],chr,timestr[6],datestr[9];
    char msg_num[4];
    int msg_num_opt = 0;
    char *ptr;
    int x,day,month,line=1,etmail=0;
    time_t t;

    if ((infile = fopen(ATT_EMAIL_FILE,"rt")) == NULL)
    {
        printf("%s does not exist\n",ATT_EMAIL_FILE);
        exit(0);
    }
    if ((outfile = fopen("tmpbox.888","wt")) == NULL)
    {
        printf("Can't open TMPBOX.888\n");
        exit(0);
    }

    for(;;)
    {
        /*      get characters from .tmp file  */
        x = 0;
        do
        {
            chr = fgetc(infile);
            if (feof(infile))
            {
                fclose(infile);
                fclose(outfile);
                exit(0);
            }
            buffer[x++] = chr;
        }
        /*      until end of line      */
        while (chr != '\n' && x < 80);

        buffer[x] = '\0'; /*      terminate it      */

        if (line == 1)
        {
            ptr = strchr(buffer,';');
            if (ptr-buffer == 2) /*      msg 3rd character      */
            {
                sscanf(buffer,"%c",msg_num);
                msg_num_opt = 1;
                ptr++;
            }
            else
                ptr = buffer;
            if (*ptr == '1' && *(ptr+1) == '0')
                etmail = 1;
        }

        if (etmail)
        {
            switch(line)

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        case 1:
        /*      datestr = mm/dd, timestr = hh:mn      */
        sscanf(datestr,"%d/%d",&month,&day);           */
        /*      get year from pc      */
        t = time(NULL);
        fprintf(outfile,"Date: %s",ctime(&t));
        break;
    case 2:
        fprintf(outfile,"From: %s",buffer);
        break;
    case 3:
        fprintf(outfile,"Subject: %s",buffer);
        fprintf(outfile,"To: <%s>\n",name);
        if (msg_num_opt)
            fprintf(outfile,"Message %d\n",msg_num);
        break;
    default:
        fprintf(outfile,"%s",buffer);
        break;
    }
}
else
{
    if (line == 1)
    {
        t = time(NULL);
        fprintf(outfile,"Date: %s",ctime(&t));
        fprintf(outfile,"From: tfindbox\n");
        fprintf(outfile,"Subject: Telefind Network Message\n");
        fprintf(outfile,"To: <%s>\n",name);
        if (msg_num_opt)
        {
            fprintf(outfile,"Message %d\n",msg_num);
            fprintf(outfile,"%s",buffer);
        }
        else
            fprintf(outfile,"%s",buffer);
    }
    else
        fprintf(outfile,"%s",buffer);
}
if (strcmp(buffer,DELIMITER) == 0)
{
    msg_num_opt = line - attmail = 0;
}
line++;
}

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Author: MICHAEL P. POWERS, JR.
Date: 05/13/91

Program: SAFARI3.C
Purpose: TO EXTRACT MESSAGES FROM A TELEFIND PAGER
          VIA THE RS-232 PORT ON A PC

Compiler: TURBO C++ 1.0
Memory Model: SMALL

/*
 *include <dos.h>
 *include <stdio.h>
 *include <conio.h>
 *include <string.h>
 *include <stdlib.h>
 *include "safari.h"

/* CONSTANTS */

#define DTR_HI 0x01
#define DTR_LO 0x02
#define RTS_HI 0x02
#define RTS_LO 0xfd
#define DSR_HI 0x20
#define DSR_LO 0x40
#define RING_IN 0x00
#define CD_HI 0x00
#define FIVE_TICK 5
#define FIVE_SEC 96
#define TWELVE_SEC 220
#define LOG_FILE "LOG"
#define INTRO_STRING "Please standby, retrieving messages ..."

/* FUNCTION PROTOTYPES */

int beep(void);
void busyoff(void);
void busymon(void);
void disoff(void);
void dison(void);
int link(void);
void print_message(void);
int readata(void);
int strobe(void);
int strobe_data(void);
unsigned ticks(void);
int timeout(unsigned start, int delay);

/* VARIABLE DECLARATIONS */

char pager_buffer[511];
int com_base,control_reg,status_reg,log_flag;
FILE *log_file;

void main(int num_arg, char **args)
{
    unsigned start;
    int restart,x;
    com_base = 0x3f8; /* use com 1 unless command line denotes otherwise */
    /* get command line arguments */
}

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/* all command line arguments begin with a single '-' and
   must be separated by a single space between each other
   and the program name

-1      Use COM port 1
-2      Use COM port 2
-3      Log all activity to a file named LOG      */

if (num_arg > 1)
{
    for (x=1; x<num_arg; x++)
    {
        if (strcmp(argv[x],"-1") == 0)
            com_base = 0x3F8;
        if (strcmp(argv[x],"-2") == 0)
            com_base = 0x2F8;
        if (strcmp(argv[x],"-3") == 0)
            log_flag = 1;
    }
}

if (log_flag)
    if ((log_file = fopen(LOG_FILE,"wt")) == NULL)
        printf("unable to open LOG\n");

control_reg = com_base + 6;
status_reg = com_base + 6;

clrscr();

if (llink() == 0)      /* is pager attached ?      */
{
    printf("Please attach Message Receiver\n");
    exit(0);
}

busyon();      /* start busy at logic high      */

if (log_flag)
    fprintf(log_file,"Initiating process VM");
printf("%s\n",INTRO_STRING);
dlem();      /* push display button */
sleep(2);
do
{
    start = ticks();
    restart = 0;
    do
    {
        if (beep())
        {
            print_message();
            restart = 1;
            start += TWELVE_SEC;
            break;
        }
    }
    /* hold display button for 12 seconds */
    while(!timeout(start,TWELVE_SEC));
}
while(restart);

dlem();      /* release the display button */
if (log_flag)
{
    fprintf(log_file,"Process Complete VM");
}

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        fclose(log_file);
    }

}

/* paper beep */
int beep(void)
{
    /* accesses the RI line via the Status Register
     * which is activated when the paper beeps */
    unsigned start;
    start = ticks();
    while (1 < timeout(start, FIVE_TICK))
    {
        if ((inportb(status_reg) & RING_HI) == 0)
            return(1);
    }
    return(0);
}

/* busyon & busyoff toggle the DTR line via the
 * Control Register to strobe in data from the paper */
void busyoff(void)
{
    outportb(control_reg, inportb(control_reg) | DTR_HI);
}

void busyon(void)
{
    outportb(control_reg, inportb(control_reg) & DTR_LO);
}

/* dison & disoff toggle the RTS line via the Control Register
 * to simulate the pressing of the display button on the paper */
void dison(void)
{
    outportb(control_reg, inportb(control_reg) | RTS_HI);
}

void disoff(void)
{
    outportb(control_reg, inportb(control_reg) & RTS_LO);
}

int link(void)
{
    /* accesses the CD line via the Status Register
     * which is logic high when paper is connected */
    if ((inportb(status_reg) & CD_HI) == 0)
        return(0);
    return(1);
}

void print_message(void)
{
    FILE *file;
    unsigned start;
    int x,y=0,z=0,chr,bit;
}

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busyoff(); /* ready to accept paper data */

/* read until end code received */
while (chr != 3)
{
    chr = 0;
    start = tick();
    /* wait for start bit */
    do
    {
        bit = strobe();
        if (bit == 0)
            break;
    } while (!timeout(start,FIVE_SEC));

    if (bit)
    {
        if (log_flag)
            fprintf(log_file,"Transmission Error, recheck connection\n");
        disoff();
        exit(0);
    }

    /* strobe out 8 bit data */
    for (x=1; x<9; x++)
    {
        chr <= 1;
        chr |= bit = strobe_data();
    }

    /* clear out stop bits */
    for (x=1;x<3;x++)
    {
        strobe_data();
    }

    /* extract start and end codes from message
       paper signon    02, 18, 0D, 33
       paper signoff   03 */
    if ((y > 3) && (chr != 3))
    {
        /* paper characters 96 and 97 are converted to
           0xPA and 0xPB to display on paper */
        if (chr == 0xfa) /* convert to CR */
            chr = '\n';
        if (chr == 0xfb) /* convert to TAB */
            chr = 0x09;

        paper_buffer(x) = chr;
        x++;
    }
    y++;
}

paper_buffer(x) = '0'; /* null terminate */
busyon(); /* finished receiving data */

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    if (log_file)
        fprintf(log_file,"%s\n",page_buffer);

    if ((ffile = fopen(ATT_EMAIL_FILE, "wt")) == NULL)
        fprintf(log_file,"%s\n",unable to open TPHOBOT.TMP\n");
    else
    {
        fprintf(ffile,"%s\n",page_buffer);
        fprintf(ffile,"%s",DELIMITER);
        fclose(ffile);
    }

    start = ticks();
    while(!timeout(start,FIVE_SEC))
    {
        /*  wait for erase beep    */
        if (beep()) break;
        sleep(1);      /*  wait one more second  */
    }

int rdata(void)
{
    /*  accesses the D81 line via the Status Register
       which returns the bits value           */
    if (inportb(status_reg) & D81_HI)
        return(0);
    return(1);
}

int strobe(void)
{
    int bit;

    busyon();
    delay(1);
    busyoff();
    delay(4);
    bit = rdata();
    return(bit);
}

int strobe_data(void)
{
    int bit;

    busyon();
    delay(2);
    bit = rdata();
    busyoff();
    delay(1);
    return(bit);
}

unsigned ticks(void)
{
    /*  returns timer ticks (approx. 18.2/sec)
       using only lower registers           */
    union REGS in,out;

    in.x.ax = 0x00;
    in32b(0x1a,&in,&out);
    return(out.x.dx);
}

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    int elasout(unsigned start, int delay)
    {
        /* used for timing events of up to approx. 1 hour.
         * used in conjunction w/ticks()
        */
        unsigned current;
        current = ticks();
        if (start == current && (start + delay) < current)
            return(1);
        if (start > current && (start - 65535 + delay) < current)
            return(1);
        return(0);
    }

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